NOARS Log

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Prez Sez

Another year is upon us and the jolly old man in the sleigh is behind us. I hope everyone had a great holiday and the New Year will be filled with joy, good health, propagation and lots of QSOs. Hopefully you received something for your shack that you wanted while the sleigh was passing by. Remember nets, events and meetings are a great way to get your questions answered or just chat about how to use that new thingy you received. I can't wait to see what 2025 brings and the fun that awaits. If you have something you would like to see the club do as an event or a program, let us know so your fun can be included.

The last month for me has been busy outside the shack, with the Holidays and a quick vacation. So, there's not much to report from inside. I was surprised to see that the rumors of the last few months seem to be true, that Whistler Group, Inc. is out of business. I've been a scanner enthusiast since before I got into ham radio. My first scanner was a Radio Shack 10-channel that was in my room as a kid. When Radio Shack and GRE went out of business, Whistler Group acquired the scanner line and technology. They marketed some of their own scanners based off that technology. Although I prefer Uniden scanners, I do have the

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The Membership Meeting will be Monday, January 20 at 7:00 PM.

North Olmsted Library, 27403 Lorain Rd.

How to be a Ham Prepared for an Emergency

The storm this past August, which cut power in some areas for days, highlighted the need to be prepared for an emergency. Tom, N8FDY and Elaine, KC8FOS will discuss the basics of being prepared.

NOARS Meeting via Zoom

Meeting ID: 811 8617 1601

Passcode: 514653

Nets

NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 PM on 28.370 MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 PM on 146.700 MHz, PL 110.9, and Thursday nights at 8 PM on 146.700 MHz, PL 110.9. All licensed amateurs are welcome. Participation is encouraged and appreciated.

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Whistler TRX-2. Unfortunately, Whistler didn't put much effort into the line and Uniden passed them up with SDR scanners. I can say my old Radio Shack Pro-106 can outperform the TRX-2 on P25-trunked simulcast systems. I just hope that Uniden doesn't suffer the same fate, although they have been putting out updates, which is a good sign.

73'

John W8LYO

January 2025 Social Events

Tuesday Lunch will be on **January 7 at noon** at **Golden Corral in Elyria, 1519 West River Rd**. All are welcome!

Weekend Lunch will be on **Saturday January 11 at noon** at Kitchen Social, 2207 Crocker Rd., Westlake . All are welcome!.

Recipes from December 18 Food Net

One of the topics on the Food Net was favorite recipes. The group thought sharing the recipes in NOARS Log was a good idea, so we could all enjoy some tasty food. Thanks for the great idea, Food Net, and to Sara, KC8KSU, net control that night, for sending them to the Log Editors!

Easy-Bake Chicken Thighs
From Ron West, N8OD

Preheat oven to 350° F.
Cut up chicken thighs long ways, place in a baking dish.
Add potato wedges
Add green beans.
Season all with Italian seasoning.
Bake at 350 for 45 min or until chicken is done.

Bobalky
From Chris, KE8MMY
Hearty croutons
Approximately 1 quart water
¾ cup ground poppy seeds
3/8 cup sugar
Honey to taste

An easy way to make croutons is to thaw frozen pizza dough, roll it out, cut it into strips, then let rise for 2 hours, covered with a towel. Bake for 30-35 minutes at temperature recommended on the package, until hard but not burned. When cool, cut the bread sticks into small pieces.

While the bread sticks are cooling, boil about 1 quart of water, add sugar until it is sweet to your taste.

When the croutons are cool, put them in a colander in the sink. Slowly pour the sugar water over the croutons, gently lifting and stirring the croutons occasionally. Drain well.

Mix ¾ cup ground poppy seeds with 3/8 cup sugar. Put the croutons in a bowl, toss with the poppy seed/sugar mixture.

Mix in honey, to taste.

It's ready to eat or can be stored in the refrigerator.

Reese's Bar
From Jeany, KC3QND

Brownie mix
Peanut butter, to taste. (Miss Jeany uses about 2 cups)
Karo Syrup, about 2 tablespoons
Chocolate frosting

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18 x 13 cookie sheet, with sides.
Spread the brownie mixture in the cookie sheet and bake for 23 to 24 minutes, or until a toothpick poked in the brownies comes out clean. The brownies will be about a quarter inch thick.
Mix peanut butter and Karo Syrup. This makes the peanut butter more spreadable.
Spread the peanut butter mixture on the cooked brownies.
Top with a layer of chocolate frosting.
Cool.
Enjoy!
Note: This dessert freezes well.

Cold-Rise Nut Bread
From Paul, KE8WHG
Makes four loaves.

Dough

1 cake yeast or a packet of dry yeast
¼ cup warm water, about 110 to 115 degrees
1 teaspoon sugar

1 stick butter or margarine, softened
3 Tablespoons sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
4 egg yokes
1 cup sour cream
4 cups flour

Mix water, yeast, and sugar and let rise. While yeast is rising, mix butter and salt and cream it. Add egg yolks and sour cream, then flour. Add yeast mixture and mix for 20 minutes. Cover and place in the refrigerator for eight hours to let rise.

Nut filling

About 1 ⅛ pounds of nuts for four loaves
1 cup sugar for every pound of nuts
1 cup milk
¼ pound butter
½ cup honey, or to taste

Mix in a pan and bring to a slow boil stirring every minute to prevent nuts from burning.

Cut dough into four equal balls and let stand for one hour at room temp. Roll out dough and add nuts, about 1 cup or so per loaf. Make an egg wash of one egg and milk to brush on each loaf.
Bake at 325 degrees for 45 min to one hour.

Do you have a favorite recipe? Send it to the NOARS Log Editors. ewilkinson1951@gmail.com or thomasfwilkinson@gmail.com

January Birthdays

Bill Adams, WD8OSJ
Bill Detmar, W8PKT
Bill Gardner, KB6ZNR
Bob Plow, W8NNC
Dan Cox, KE8VYQ
Dave Novotny, N8RRC
Gary Smith, KF8ANR
Jane Reed, K8JGR
Janice Dean, W8MTR
Ken Golubski, W4CCZ
Mark Rodgers, KE8TCE
Rich Whisler, KE8YUP
Russell Graham, KE8GNX
Ryan Wilkins, AD2Q
Tom Southam, W8WLI

If your birthday doesn't appear here it's a good chance that it's not in our database. Please contact Carl, W8KRF so we can wish you a Happy Birthday!

Heard on the Nets in December

Aaron, KE8OAO
Ann, KA8ZEP
Avery, KE8ZKW
Ben, KF8CMM
Bill, N8JET
Bill, N8LXY
Bill, K2WJS
Bob, KF8ABZ
Bob, W8OOT
Bryan, W8JMI
Carl, W8KRF
Chris, N8ACP
Chris, KD2HCE
Chris, KE8MMY
Chuck, WB4AIZ. FL
Chuck, KB8LJ
Dan, K8AGW
Dan, W8AJF
Daryl, KE8NEO
Dr. Jack, N8NDL
Elaine, KC8FOS
Fred, N8AHS
Gordon, AI8Y
Jeany, KC3QND
Jeff, KB8ZUN
Jim, KE8ZTL
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John, W8VBT
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Mark, KC8FQV
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Nick, KD8SLG
Paul, KE8WHG
Pete, KE8NQK
Scott, KE8VOX
Stephen, N8WB
Tom, N8FDY
Tom, W8KYZ
Tony, KB8TK

January, 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Food Group 7PM 2M Josh, KE8YUG	**2** 2M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	**3**	**4** VE Test 10 Fairview Park Library
5	**6**	**7** NOARS Lunch at Noon 10M Net 8 PM Josh, KE8YUG	**8** Food Group 7PM 2M Dan, K8AGW	**9** 2M Net 8 PM Tom P, W8KYZ	**10**	**11** Weekend Lunch 12:00 Kitchen Social Crocker Park
12	**13**	**14** 10M Net 8 PM Tom P, W8KYZ	**15** Food Group 7PM 2M Sara, KC8KSU	**16** 2M Net 8 PM John, W8LYO	**17**	**18**
19	**20** NOARS Meeting 7 PM	**21** 10M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	**22** Food Group 7PM 2M John, W8LYO	**23** 2M Net 8 PM Elaine, KC8FOS	**24**	**25**
26	**27**	**28** 10M Net 8 PM Dan, W8AJF	**29** Food Group 7PM 2M Jeany, KC3QND	**30** 2M Net 8 PM Eric, KE8VZA	**31**	

NOARS 2024 Year in Review

January

- After twenty-five years serving as Treasurer, Tom Porter, W8KYZ stepped down. Eric Hatfield, KE8VZA became the NOARS Treasurer.
- Club members who participated in Winter Field Day: Dan, W8AJW was with the Delaware Amateur Radio Association. Corey Brooks, KE8PQW and Keith Austin, KE8VAN had WFD in a farmer's field in Vermilion.
- NOARS members voted to not have coffee and donuts at the monthly meetings.

March

- Hamfest was held at LCCC.
- Bob Plow, W8NNC, resigned from the Program Committee.
- Paul Sultan, KE8WHG accepted the invitation to be the Chair of the Program Committee.
- Scott, KE8VOX, joined the Program Committee.
- NOARS Makers' Event: Get Ready for Fox Hunt Season. Under the direction of Andrew Lent, KE8WMS and Sam Harmon, N8JKD of Makers' Alliance in Cleveland members of NOARS joined members of Makers' Alliance for a fox hunt antenna build and fox hunt in the Alliance's space.

April

- First Fox Hunt of the season
- Total Solar Eclipse. Bob, W8NNC, submitted an article to the NOARS Log detailing his investigation of how the eclipse affected propagation. Results: The four minute total eclipse of the sun improved the propagation of the 40 meter band.
- NOARS members passed an amendment of the NOARS Constitution affecting the Board of Directors: two members from the general membership increased to three.

May

- Josh Obergas, KE8YUG launched a website, called TheYUG. https://theyug.net/
- Members of Makers' Alliance joined us for the May Fox Hunt in Bradley Woods, using the antennas they made at the NOARS Makers' Event in March.

June

- Field Day with LCARA.
- NOARS Club activation of Cuyahoga Valley National Park.

July

- NOARSfest July 20 at LCCC. The fire alarm and the arrival of the Elyria Fire Department put a damper on the Hamfest, ending it early.
- Antenna Day.

August

- Annual Picnic, held for the first time at South Central Park, Pavilion 1 in North Ridgveville. The more central location was appreciated.

September

- NOARS participated in IngenuityFest 2024. Manning the table were Will, KE8WHM; Andrew, KE8WMS; John, W8LYO; Paul, KE8WHG; Eric, KE8VZA; Elaine, KC8FOS.
- Josh, KE8YUG and Marie, KF8ANS Obergas moved to Vermilion.
- A NOARS informative postcard is created by Tom Wilkinson, N8FDY; Andrew Lent, KE8WMS; Michael Herdmann, KF8BNF; Elaine Wilkinson, KC8FOS.
- The decision was made to suspend amateur radio testing at the NOARS Hamfests. Numbers testing at the Hamfests were no greater than testing at the library.

October

- Club activation of Cuyahoga Valley National Park was held at the Pine Hollow Trailhead under the direction of Connie, K8CCS and Bill, K2WJS.
- Monthly meeting Zoom links start being published in the NOARS Log.

November

- For the first time in decades, an election was held for a NOARS officer position. There were two candidates for Vice President. The Nominating Committee was Paul, KE8WHG and Michael, KF8BNF. The successful candidate was Andrew, KE8WMS

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- NOARS Constitution Change: Officers' terms change from two years to one.

December
- Holiday Party.

New Members This Year
Rich Slaght, KE8ZWE; Mark Hayden, KG4SCK; Gordon Bolus, AI8Y; Timothy Jones, KF8AAE; Gary Smith KF8ANR, Marie Obergas, KF8ANS; Steve Millar, KF8ANT; Daniel Stover, KF8AXL; James Fenn, N8DST; Ryan Wilkins, AD2Q; Glen Morse, N8NG; Ken Robinson, K8SCA; Yuri Sivitski; KF8BFM; Art Moody, W8UTC; Michael Herdmann, KF8BNF; John Gruber, KC8BRT; John Bauer, KF8BVF; Sante Simms, KF8CDR; Denis R Boudreau, N8PDF; Fred Brown, KF8ATX; Carl Utrata; Glenn Williams, AF8C;Andra Bellamy, KF8CNO; Allen Fitch, KF8CNG; Mark Richards, KF8CNJ; Mark Mueller, KC8FLY.

Club Members' Individual POTA Activations
Dan, W8AJF and Ann, KA8ZEP Wadsworth; Will Rankin, KE8WHM; Andrew Lent, KE8WMS; Scott Emery, KE8VOX; Corey Brooks, KE8PQW; Keith Austin, KE8VAN; Michael, KF8BNF and Danielle Herdmann; Bill Riley, N8JET

Dan Wadsworth, W8AJF at Marblehead Lighthouse State Park

On December 26 Dan activated Marblehead Lighthouse State Park. He made 49 contacts on the 40 meter band.

Holiday Party

Twenty-three of us gathered on December 7 at Houlihan's for a festive time of eating, talking, having fun with the white elephant gift exchange, and enjoying watching club president John, W8LYO, commemorate the work of club members by awarding certificates.

POTA: Connie, K8CCS and Bill, K2WJS; Ann, KA8ZEP and Dan, W8AJF. Net Control: Jeany, KC3QND; Foxhunts: Sara, KC8KSU and Bryan, N8OOF; Ham of the Year: Paul, KE8WHG; New Ham: Michael, KF8BNF.

The Holiday Party of 2025 will be at the same time, same place. We hope you can join us.

December Tuesday Lunch

Twenty-three were at December's Tuesday Lunch. It's always a good time at the Tuesday Lunches, what with camaraderie, laughter, and finding tasty food to eat. Stephen, N8WB, brought a new antenna developed by Dr. Jack, owner and driving force behind Compactenna. You can read about it in this issue of the Log. Interestingly, twenty-three were at the Holiday Party as well as the Tuesday Lunch. Coincidence, or were the ham radio gods hinting that 23 be played in the lottery, to afford a new rig?

December Weekend Lunch

If one was craving Italian deliciousness, Sorrento's in Sheffield was the place to be on the 14th. Thirteen of us had the opportunity to tell stories, catch up on what was going on with us, talk about ham radio, and generally enjoy fellowship, which is what the social gatherings are all about. The revelers were asked to take photos of those around them, and an orgy of snapping photos began. We also ate, but after a few rounds of photo taking. Thanks to everyone for the fun.

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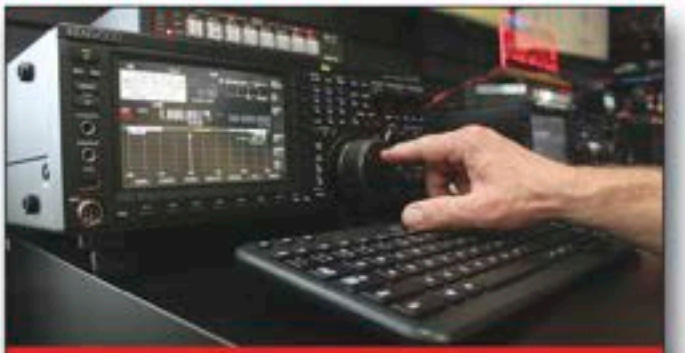

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Chet Roberts
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President: John, W8LYO
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Others: Carl, W8KRF; Tom, N8FDY

Others
Net Manager: Jeany, KC3QND
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Parliamentary Committee: Tom, N8FDY
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Public Relations Committee: Elaine, KC8FOS; Michael, KF8BNF

Membership
Membership is open to anyone interested in amateur radio. Dues are: Full $15, Associate (non-licensed) $7, Family members of a full member $4 each. Membership and payment are available at www.noars.net. Make checks payable to NOARS and mail them to: NOARS Membership Committee, 20246 Drake Rd.,Strongsville, OH 44149.

Meetings
The third Monday of each month at the North Olmsted Library, 27403 Lorain Rd. at 7 PM. All are welcome.

Nets
NOARS nets are Tuesday nights at 8 pm on 28.370 MHz, Wednesday nights at 7 pm on 146.700 MHz, and Thursday nights at 8 pm. on 146.700 MHz. All licensed amateurs are welcome.

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